SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE

This Settlement Agreement and Release ("Agreement") is made this __ day of February, 2021, by and between the Defendants SHOOTER'S TIKI BAR & GRILL INC. and EDWARD MIGLIACCIO, jointly and severally ("RELEASEES" or "DEFENDANTS"), and Plaintiff, JORGE GONZALEZ SALVADOR ("PLAINTIFF" or "RELEASOR") (hereinafter the "Parties").

RECITALS

- 1. WHEREAS, on December 6, 2019, PLAINTIFF initiated legal action against the DEFENDANTS in the United States District Court, Eastern District of New York, such case being styled, *Jorge Gonzalez Salvador v. Shooter's Tiki Bar & Grill Inc. and Edward Migliaccio, Case No. 2:19-CV-06877* (the "Lawsuit"), and
- 2. WHEREAS, in this Lawsuit, PLAINTIFF alleged, among other things, that RELEASEES failed to pay him minimum wage and overtime pay due in connection with services that he performed on RELEASEES' behalf, failed to pay him spread-of-hours pay, failed to provide him with wage notices, and further failed to provide him with accurate statements of wages; and
- 3. WHEREAS, no Court has considered or determined the claims presented; and
- 4. WHEREAS, RELEASEES deny PLAINTIFF'S allegations in their entirety and admit no wrongdoing nor any liability with respect to PLAINTIFF'S allegations; and
- 5. WHEREAS, PLAINTIFF and the RELEASEES wish to compromise and settle all of their respective claims against the other relating to the Lawsuit.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and in consideration of the covenants, warranties and promises set forth below, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, PLAINTIFF AND RELEASEES (collectively, "The Settling Parties") agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

- 1. <u>Consideration.</u> The Settling Parties are entering into this Settlement Agreement and Release in exchange for good and valuable consideration. PLAINTIFF agrees that he will not seek any further consideration from RELEASEES, including any monetary payment, beyond that which is set forth in Paragraph 2 of this Settlement Agreement. In addition, PLAINTIFF agrees that the amount being paid to him represents all alleged unpaid overtime wages and other alleged damages from the commencement of his employment with the RELEASEES to the present, interest, civil monetary penalties, liquidated damages, and attorneys' fees.
- 2. <u>Settlement Compensation</u>. In consideration of the release and other obligations entered into by the Parties pursuant to this Agreement, the RELEASEES agree to issue the following payments,

totaling ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000.00) (the "Settlement Payment"), to the PLAINTIFF:

- A. To "Jorge A. Gonzalez Salvador", a check in the amount of \$27,557.24, less normal and appropriate withholdings, for alleged unpaid back wages, to be reflected on a W-2 Form.
- B. To "Jorge A. Gonzalez Salvador", a check in the amount of \$37,557.25, representing alleged liquidated damages, statutory violations of NYLL § 195(1) and (3), and interest, to be reflected on a 1099 Form;
- C. To "Katz Melinger PLLC", a check in the amount of \$34,885.51, from which no withholdings shall be taken and which shall be reflected on a 1099 Form as and for attorneys' fees in the amount of \$32,557.25 and reimbursement for costs in the amount of \$2,328.26.

Without limiting the terms of this Agreement, the parties hereto agree and acknowledge that the Settlement Payments are in full and final disposition and complete satisfaction of any and all claims against RELEASEES by PLAINTIFF as stated in Paragraph 8 of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, claims for attorneys' fees, disbursements and costs. PLAINTIFF expressly directs RELEASEES to make the Settlement Payments, as detailed above, to his legal counsel, acknowledges that receipt of the Settlement Payments by his legal counsel constitutes receipt thereof by PLAINTIFF, and agrees that the Settlement Payments constitute an accord and satisfaction.

PLAINTIFF further agrees that, with the payments stated above, PLAINTIFF will have been paid in full for all hours worked for RELEASEES for the period encompassing the entire period of his employment with the RELEASEES, including, but not limited to, any and all claims for wages, supplements, statutory penalties and overtime pay. PLAINTIFF will be materially breaching this Agreement if PLAINTIFF claims in the future that he has not been paid the minimum wage, spread of hours pay, and/or overtime pay or any other monies, including statutory penalties and interest, for any work for RELEASEES for the period encompassing his entire employment with the RELEASEES.

3. <u>Delivery</u>. All checks shall be sent to:

KATZ MELINGER PLLC 280 Madison Avenue, Suite 600 New York, New York 10016

4. <u>Timing</u>. DEFENDANTS shall deliver the Settlement Payment to PLAINTIFF and his counsel within thirty (30) days after (a) the PLAINTIFF returns a signed copy of this Agreement to Defendants' legal counsel, (b) receipt of Court Order approving this Agreement as fair and reasonable; and (c) the receipt, by DEFENDANTS' legal counsel, of fully completed and executed W-9 and W-4 forms from the PLAINTIFF and a fully completed and executed W-9 form from Katz Melinger PLLC (whichever is later).

- Default; Notice to Cure; Liquidated Damages. In the event DEFENDANTS fail to make 5. timely payment to PLAINTIFF or should one or more checks be returned for insufficient funds ("Default"), PLAINTIFF or his counsel shall notify DEFENDANTS through their counsel of the Default in writing ("Notice of Default"). The Notice of Default shall be delivered to Defendants via their counsel, David S. Feather, Esq., via email at <u>DFeather@FeatherLawFirm.com</u> and via federal express or other overnight courier to Feather Law Firm, P.C., Attn: David S. Feather, Esq., 666 Old Country Road, Suite 605 Garden City, New York 11530. Delivery of the Notice of Default by email shall constitute receipt of the Notice of Default by DEFENDANTS. DEFENDANTS' failure to timely cure the Default within ten (10) business days from the date the Notice of Default was received shall constitute a breach of this Agreement ("Breach"). DEFENDANTS expressly acknowledge and agree that, in the event of a Breach and provided that PLAINTIFF has not materially breached this Agreement and/or his covenants herein, PLAINTIFF will be irreparably harmed and therefore Plaintiff shall be entitled to recover from DEFENDANTS, as liquidated damages, the sum of **TWO** HUNDRED **FIFTY** THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$250,000.00), crediting DEFENDANTS with any payments made in accordance with this Agreement, plus all reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred by Plaintiff in bringing suit as a result of the Breach of this Agreement. PLAINTIFF may seek enforcement of this Agreement in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York or any other court or agency of proper jurisdiction in the State of New York.
- 6. <u>Other Payments.</u> Except as provided in this Agreement, no other payments are owed to the PLAINTIFF.
- Taxes. PLAINTIFF agrees to pay all federal, state and/or local taxes, if any, which are required by law to be paid by him with respect to this settlement in a timely fashion. PLAINTIFF further agrees that in the event RELEASEES becomes liable for payment of any taxes, or fines related to unpaid taxes, by any government entity for any amounts that PLAINTIFF was responsible to pay for amounts received pursuant to this Agreement, PLAINTIFF will indemnify RELEASEES for any such taxes or fines, as well as reasonable costs and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred by DEFENDANTS. This paragraph shall not apply to RELEASEES' portion of FICA and/or FUTA, if any. Plaintiff shall bear no responsibility for or in connection with Defendants' failure to make any employer's contribution to payroll taxes related to the Settlement Payment under this Agreement.
- Release of All Fair Labor Standards Act And New York Labor Law Related Claims. In consideration for the foregoing, the RELEASOR, on his behalf and on behalf of his dependents, heirs, executors, administrators, legal and/or personal representatives, successors, assigns and agents, do hereby knowingly, voluntarily, unconditionally and irrevocably WAIVE, RELEASE and FOREVER DISCHARGE RELEASEES and each and every one of their divisions, affiliates, subsidiaries, parents, corporations under common ownership or control, related business entities, predecessors, successors, management companies, assigns, officers, directors, trustees, employees, agents, shareholders, administrators, representatives, attorneys, insurers or fiduciaries, past, present or future (hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Releasees"), from any and all

claims, rights, liabilities, debts, obligations, promises, covenants, agreements, contracts, endorsements, bonds, controversies, suits or causes known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, arising solely under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, 29 U.S.C. §§ 201, et seq., as amended, and related regulations, the New York Labor Law and related regulations promulgated by the NYS Commissioner of Labor, for any and all FLSA and NYLL wage-and-hour claims arising out of RELEASOR'S employment with DEFENDANTS, up to and including the date RELEASOR signs this Agreement, whether known or unknown, whether contingent or non-contingent, specifically asserted or not, which the RELEASOR may assert anywhere in the world against the RELEASEES, or any of them including but not limited to, alleged unpaid wages, unpaid minimum wage, unpaid overtime compensation, failure to provide required notices and/or wage statements, improper deductions, spread of hours, liquidated damages, interest, costs, penalties or attorneys' fees under any federal, state or local laws, based upon any conduct occurring from the beginning of RELEASOR'S employment with RELEASEES to the date of the RELEASOR'S execution of this Agreement ("Wage Claims").

Without limiting the terms of this Agreement, the parties hereto agree and acknowledge that the Settlement Payment is in full and final disposition and complete satisfaction of any and all Wage Claims against Defendants by RELEASOR including, but not limited to claims for attorneys' fees, disbursements and costs.

It is expressly agreed and acknowledged that PLAINTIFF is not releasing DEFENDANTS from, any claims, obligations, debts, liabilities, demands, or causes of action of any kind whatsoever arising under any federal, state or local statute or regulation other than those concerning the Wage Claims that PLAINTIFF may or may not have against DEFENDANTS, including PLAINTIFF'S rights to enforce the terms of this Agreement. It is further expressly agreed and acknowledged that the Wage Claims do not include, and Plaintiff is therefore not releasing, any claims or rights which as a matter of law cannot lawfully be waived or released, including but not limited to filing a claim for physical injury made pursuant to New York's Workers' Compensation Law or from filing a claim for unemployment benefits.

- 9. <u>Dismissal</u>. PLAINTIFF agrees to the dismissal of the Lawsuit with prejudice by executing a Stipulation of Discontinuance with Prejudice in the same form as amended hereto as Exhibit "A". Upon Court approval of this Agreement DEFENDANTS, or their counsel, may cause the Stipulation of Discontinuance with Prejudice to be filed with the Court.
- 10. No Charges Exist and No Charges Will Be Filed for Released Claims. PLAINTIFF represents that, other than the matter of Jorge Gonzalez Salvador v. Shooter's Tiki Bar & Grill Inc. and Edward Migliaccio, Case No. 2:19-CV-06877, currently pending in United States District Court, Eastern District of New York and the Department of Labor ("DOL") case, Case No. LS102019007816, which was closed by the DOL in or around January 22, 2020, Plaintiff does not currently have pending before any court (U.S. or foreign) or before any federal, state, or local governmental agency (U.S. or foreign) any dispute of any kind against RELEASEES. PLAINTIFF agrees that any claim that is brought for claims released by this Agreement, will be automatically dismissed, and RELEASEES will be entitled to

- reasonable costs and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in defending against any such claims/charges.
- 11. Remedy for Breach of Promises. In the event the PLAINTIFF commences, joins, or otherwise asserts an action based on the Wage Claims, which are released pursuant to this Agreement, he will, to the extent allowed by law, forego the right to compensation under this Agreement, repay any money paid under this Agreement, together with the maximum interest allowed by law, and pay all of the RELEASEES' costs, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees, for prosecution or defense of the action. Also, RELEASEES will be entitled to any further relief as deemed appropriate by any court or other relevant tribunal.
- 12. <u>Neutral References.</u> Defendants agree that, in response to any reference request concerning Plaintiff, Defendants shall only provide the applicable Plaintiff's dates of employment and job title(s) from his employment with Defendants.
- 13. Advice of counsel. All parties acknowledge that they have had an opportunity to receive advice about the terms and legal effects of this Agreement from counsel of their choosing. PLAINTIFF hereby represents that he has consulted his attorney(s) about this Agreement before signing it.
- 14. Governing Law and Interpretation. The Agreement shall be governed and conformed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York without regard to its conflict of laws provision.
- 15. Exclusive Jurisdiction. Any claim, dispute or disagreement arising under or in any way relating to this Agreement shall be submitted to a New York State Court of competent jurisdiction located in Nassau County, New York, or the Federal District Court for the Eastern District of New York. Such courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction over such claim, dispute or disagreement, and the parties' consent to the personal jurisdiction of those courts.
- 16. Non-Admission of Wrongdoing. The parties agree that neither this Agreement nor the furnishing of any consideration for this Agreement shall be deemed or construed at any time for any purpose as an admission by either party of any liability or unlawful conduct.
- 17. <u>Absence of Reliance.</u> The parties acknowledge that in agreeing to this Agreement, they have not relied in any way upon representations or statement of the other party other than those representations or statements set forth in this Agreement.
- 18. <u>Entire Agreement.</u> This Agreement, including any and all Exhibits, set forth the entire agreement between the parties, and supersedes any prior contracts, agreements, or understandings between the parties.
- 19. <u>Amendment.</u> This Agreement may not be modified, altered, or changed except upon express, written consent of all parties, which includes specific reference to this Agreement.

- 20. <u>Severability.</u> In the event any provision contained in this Agreement shall be determined to be invalid, illegal or otherwise unenforceable, all remaining provisions in this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. Should the release language be null and void, the parties will execute a new or supplemental agreement which will correct this failing, without receiving any additional consideration because this Agreement was provided with the expectation that it would be fully enforceable.
- 21. <u>Section Headings.</u> The sections headings are solely for convenience of reference and shall not in any way affect the interpretation of this Agreement.
- 22. <u>Counterparts/Electronic/Electronic Signature</u>. The Parties may execute this Agreement in counterparts, and execution in counterparts shall have the same force and effect as if PLAINTIFF and DEFENDANTS have signed the same instrument. Any Party may execute this Agreement by physically signing on the designated signature block below and transmitting that signature page *via* facsimile and/or email to counsel for the other Party. Any signature made and transmitted by facsimile and/or email for the purpose of executing this Agreement shall be deemed an original signature for purposes of this Agreement and shall be binding upon the Party whose counsel transmits the signature page by facsimile.
- 23. <u>Notices.</u> Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, any notice or communication that the Parties desire to give or are required to give to the other(s) shall be in writing and sent via federal express or other overnight courier service addressed to such other Party at the address(es) set forth below, and via e-mail to either Party's legal counsel. Notice shall be deemed communicated from the date of actual receipt of the overnight delivery. The addresses for notice are as follows, unless otherwise specified:

PARTY	ADDRESS	Сору то:
Defendants	David S. Feather, Esq. FEATHER LAW FIRM, P.C. 666 Old Country Road, Suite 605 Garden City, NY 11530 e-mail: DFeather@FeatherLawFirm.com	Edward Migliaccio c/o Shooter's Tiki Bar & Grill, Inc. 2109 Wantagh Avenue Wantagh, NY 11793
Plaintiff	Katherine Morales, Esq. KATZ MELINGER PLLC 280 Madison Avenue, Suite 600 New York, New York 10016 e-mail: kymorales@katzmelinger.com	Jorge A. Gonzalez Salvador 98 Rose Street, Apt. 1F Freeport, New York 11520

THE PARTIES ARE SIGNING THIS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE VOLUNTARILY AND KNOWINGLY.

THE PLAINTIFF ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THIS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE WAS TRANSLATED INTO A LANGUAGE UNDERSTOOD BY PLAINTIFF, THAT HE HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW AND CONSIDER THE FERMS AND PROVISION OF THIS AGREEMENT, AND THAT HE HAS CONSULTED WITH HIS LEGAL COUNSEL BEFORE SIGNING THIS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE.

THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT - READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.

The parties knowingly, voluntarily and with the approval of their counsel executed this Agreement as of the date set forth below:

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Edward Migliacció	Dated:
Sworn to me this day of2021	
Notary Public	

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PLAINTIFF:

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Jorge Gonzalez Salvador	Dated:
Sworn to me this day of 2021	
Notary Public	
DEFENDANTS: Edward Migliaccio	Dated: 3/16/2021
Sworn to me this 6 day of 40 rch 2021 Notary Public	

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CRAIG LEVY
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01LE4970255
Qualified in Nassau County
My Commission Expires

SHOOTER'S TIKI BAR & GRILL, INC.

By: Edward Migliaccio

Title: Principal

Dated: 3/16/2/

CORPORATE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF MASSIAL

) ss.:

Notary Public

DAVID S. FEATHER NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York No. 02PE5040162 Qualified in Nassau County Commission Expires Sept. 11, 20

SCHEDULE "A"

UNITED S	STATES	DISTR	ICT C	OURT
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JORGE GONZALEZ SALVADOR, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

-against-

SHOOTER'S TIKI BAR & GRILL INC and EDWARD MIGLIACCIO.

Docket No. 2:19-cv-06877

STIPULATION OF DISCONTINUANCE WITH PREJUDICE

Defendants.

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the undersigned, the attorneys of record for all the parties to the above-entitled action, that whereas no party hereto is an infant or incompetent person for whom a committee has been appointed and no person not a party has an interest in the subject matter of the action, the above-entitled action be, and the same hereby is discontinued with prejudice without costs to any party or against any other. This Stipulation may be filed without further notice with the Clerk of the Court.

This Stipulation shall not be in effect until executed by all parties set forth herein.

Dated: March

David S. Feather, Esq.

Feather Law Firm, P.C.

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Attorneys for Defendants

By:

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